

PUBLIC NOTICE
For
Air Quality Operating & Acid Rain Permits

The owner, Southwestern Public Service Co, PO Box 1261, Amarillo, TX 79105 has submitted air quality permit applications to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit and an Acid Rain permit for its Cunningham Station Power Plant. The exact location of the facility is at latitude 32 deg, 42 min, 44 sec and longitude -103 deg, 21 min, 13 sec. To aid in locating this facility, the approximate location is 13 miles west on Highway 62 from Hobbs, NM, then north on 483 about 1 mile. The operating permit and the Acid Rain permit applications have been assigned Numbers P080-R3 and P080AR3 respectively. The TEMPO Agency Interest ID for the facility is No. 604.

Previously, the facility received an air quality construction permit and is in operation.

This facility is a power plant and its purpose is to provide commercial electric power using boilers and turbines fuel by natural gas. The capacity of this power plant is 487 MW.

These permit applications are for the required, 5 year permit renewals. The operating permit also incorporates all applicable requirements from their pre-construction permit number 2831-R1, makes corrections to equipment serial and model numbers, and adds federal emission standard regulations that apply to existing emergency/fire pump generators (20.2.70.401.C(4) NMAC).

There are no increases to the existing, permitted air emission limits.

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit applications. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 7, 33, 61, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 77, 82, and 84; 40 CFR 50; 40 CFR 60 Subparts GG; 40 CFR 63 Subparts ZZZZ; 40 CFR 72, and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue these air quality permits on or before 8-21-15.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating and Acid Rain permits, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on the draft Operating Permit by contacting Kirby Olson at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

The permit application, draft permit and relevant supporting materials are currently available for review at the Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816. The Department contact in Santa Fe is Kirby Olson, 505 476 4322. Este es un aviso de la Agencia de Calidad de Aire del Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo México, acerca de las emisiones producidas por un establecimiento en esta área. Si usted desea información en español, por favor de comunicarse con la oficina de Calidad de Aire al teléfono 505-476-5557.